

PATENT IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

AN, J. *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 10/588,883

FILED: 8 MAY 2007

FOR: **METHODS FOR ISOLATION OF TRIPTOLIDE
COMPOUNDS FROM TRIPTERYGIUM
WILFORDII**

EXAMINER: MABRY, JOHN

ART UNIT: 1625

CONF. No: 4457

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants have considered the Non-Final Office Action mailed 6 May 2010 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendments and remarks that follow is respectfully requested. Accompanying this Amendment are:

(1) a request for a three-month extension of time, extending the period for reply up to and including 6 November 2010. Because 6 November 2010 falls on a Saturday, a response filed on **Monday, 8 November 2010** should be deemed to have been filed within the 3-month extension period for reply, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.7(a) (see M.P.E.P. § 710.05); and

(2) Exhibits A-C:

A) J. March, (1992) John Wiley & Sons, New York, NY, USA, "Advanced Organic Chemistry: Reactions, Mechanisms, and Structure," 4th ed., pp. 376-377;

B) Francis Carey and Richard J. Sundberg, (1983) Plenum Press, New York, "Advanced Organic Chemistry", 2nd Ed., Part B: Reactions and Synthesis, pp. 498-499; and

C) Chen *et al.* *Journal of Controlled Release* 98 (2004) 427-436.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.